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**FOR: OXIDATION-RESISTANT RARE EARTH METAL-BASED MAGNET POWDER  
AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, COMPOUND FOR RARE EARTH  
METAL-BASED BONDED MAGNET, RARE EARTH METAL-BASED BONDED  
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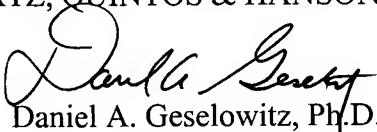
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